

## State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations GUBERNATORIAL PROCLAMATION

## PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK

Whereas, Americans are served every single day by public servants at the federal, state, county and city levels; and

Whereas, public employees take not only jobs, but oaths; and

Whereas, many public servants, including military personnel, police officers, firefighters, border patrol officers, embassy employees, health care professionals and others, risk their lives each day in service to the people of the United States and around the world; and

Whereas, public servants provide the diverse services demanded by the American people of their government with efficiency and integrity; and

Whereas, without these public servants at every level, continuity would be impossible in a democracy that regularly changes its leaders and elected officials; and

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Lincoln D. Chafee, Governor of Rhode Island, in honor of the millions of public employees at the federal, state, county, and city levels, do hereby proclaim May 1-7, 2011, Public Service Recognition Week, and encourage all citizens to recognize the accomplishments and contributions of government employees at all levels - federal, state, county and city.



Given under my hand and the great seal of the State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations, this **30**<sup>Th</sup> day of April, 2011

Lincoln D. Chafee Governor

A. Ralph Mollis Secretary of State